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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR § 1.53(b))

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
Jun-Cheng Ko and Young-Tong Tsai

For: IMPROVED SELF-ALIGNED CONTACT PROCESS IMPLEMENTING BIAS COMPENSATION  
ETCH ENDPOINT DETECTION AND METHODS FOR IMPLEMENTING THE SAME

Application Elements:

30 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract  
 08 Sheets of Drawings (Informal)  
 02 Pages Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

Accompanying Application Parts:

Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee  
of \$40.00 enclosed)  
 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee  
 Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449  
 Copies of IDS Citations  
 Preliminary Amendment  
 Return Receipt Postcard  
 Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)  
 Other:

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

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INDEP CLAIMS	04	-03 = 01	x40 =	\$	OR	x80 =	\$ 80.00
[ ] Multiple Dependent Claim Presented			\$135 =	\$	OR	\$270 =	\$
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Request for Small Entity Status

Applicant is entitled to small entity status.

General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

Applicants hereby make and generally authorizes any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P258).

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## PATENT

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In re the application of )  
J. Ko et al. ) Examiner: Unassigned  
Application No. [To be assigned] ) Art Unit: Unassigned  
Filed: June 28, 2001 ) Docket No. LAM2P258  
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PROCESS IMPLEMENTING BIAS )  
COMPENSATION ETCH ENDPOINT )  
DETECTION AND METHODS FOR )  
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Signed: Diane  
Diane Schwanbeck

**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b).

Respectfully submitted,  
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